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Shumate et al.

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LIQUID CHEMICAL DISTRIBUTION METHOD AND APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action mailed December 16, 2003.

The requested extension is for One (1) Month, extending the period for response from March 16, 2004 to April 16, 2004.

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00 for the One (1) Month Extension of Time fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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